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FUNDING AND AWARDING BONUSES IN A GAMING

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is form PTO-1449 listing references without copies, except for U.S. Patent Nos.: 5,707,285 (Place); 6,217,448 (Olsen); 6,231,445 (Acres); 6,244,958 (Acres); and 6,254,483 (Acres).

Copies of all but these identified references are not required to be provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.98(d), as they were previously submitted or cited in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/903,095, filed July 10, 2001, entitled Bonus System and Method of Awarding Bonus, to which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §120. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of the first Office

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Action on the merits, and as such, no fee is required in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3).

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